

2020 - 2040 South Bend Comprehensive Plan Update



South Bend Comprehensive Plan

- ▶ Required under the Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A
- ▶ Adopted in April 2015 Periodic update mandated June 30, 2020
- ▶ Plan has 10 chapters:

Section One

- Introduction
- Vision Statement
- Land Use Element
- Housing Element
- Public Facilities & Services Element

- Utilities Element
- Transportation Element
- Sustaining the Comp Plan

Section Two

- The Natural Environment
- The Human & Built Environment



What's new with the Mission Statement?

Mission Statement Revision (page 7)

The City of South Bend is committed to improving our community by:

- ▶ Increasing housing opportunities for people of all incomes and needs
- ► Extending the Willapa Hills State Park Trail System to the western city limits
- ► Enhancing our circulation system with safe walkways and streets
- ▶ Building on our natural beauty by encouraging greenspaces & gardens
- ▶ Supporting new & existing local businesses to grow and thrive



What's new with the Mission Statement?

Mission Statement Revision

- ► Encouraging area school systems to work together to improve educational services for our children & youth
- Supporting local renewable energy resources
- ► Expanding the city's limited financial resources for community projects through public & private sector grants



What's new in the Land Use Element?

Population & Housing 20-Year Projection (page 8)

- ▶ Increase by 36 people
- ▶ 16 to 20 new housing units

Open Space & Community Landscaping (page 14)

- Goal 3.7 Develop a community landscaping plan for South Bend residential & commercial areas.
- Policy 3.7.1 Pursue grant funding through the Urban and Community Forestry Program's Community Engagement and Planning Grant to develop a community urban greening plan that focuses on trees and gardens for public spaces and rights-of-way.



What's new in the Land Use Element?

Environmental Protection District (page 15)

- Use the Pacific County Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Pacific County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan as the foundation to emergency management planning within the city.
- Goal 3.9: Protect shoreline resources by ensuring no net loss of existing ecological functions.
- Policy 3.9.1 Implement the City of South Bend Shoreline Master Program as an element of the Comprehensive Plan.



What's new in the Land Use Element?

Environmental Protection District

- Policy 3.9.2 Require any future amendments to the Comprehensive Plan to be consistent with the goals, strategies, and use and development standards within the Shoreline Master Program.
- Policy 3.9.3 Require future amendments to zoning, subdivision, and critical area regulations to be consistent with the Shoreline Master Program and the Shoreline Management Act.
- Policy 3.9.4 Participate in countywide collaborative planning processes and interlocal agreements that will further the purpose and intent of the Shoreline Master Program.



Housing Diversity (page 17 & 18)

- Policy 4.2.7 Continue to assess housing trends in the city and explore how the zoning code and other development regulations can address potential housing gaps, needs, and use.
- Policy 4.2.8 Pursue CDBG funding to prepare a housing needs assessment and implementation strategy that would benefit low- and moderate-income households and people with special needs



What's new in the Public Facilities & Services Element?

Providing Adequate Public Facilities & Services (page 19)

Policy 5.2.1 Planning for public facilities and services shall be consistent with the Land Use Element.

Priority Public Facilities & Services Improvement Plans (page 21)

- Six-Year Water Facility Improvement Plan
- Six-Year Park Capital Improvement Plan



Siting Essential Public Facilities (page 24)

- Policy 5.5.1 Evaluate proposals for essential public facilities consistent with the Pacific County Countywide Planning Policies (Policy #7), RCW 36.70A.200, and WAC 365-196-550.
- Policy 5.5.2 Participate in inter-jurisdictional efforts to site countywide or statewide essential public facilities. Pursue agreements among jurisdictions to mitigate against the disproportionate burden that may fall on the jurisdiction which becomes the site of a facility.
- Policy 5.5.3 Designate and evaluate essential public facilities as a conditional use within districts that allow similar uses.



Siting Essential Public Facilities

- Policy 5.5.4 Require the design and siting of essential public facilities to meet city development standards and minimize potential impacts to adjacent properties and the overall community.
- Policy 5.5.5 Impose conditions of approval or other measures within the scope of the city's authority to mitigate environmental, compatibility, public safety, or other impacts of an essential public facility.



Adoption of Functional Public Facilities & Services Plans (page 24 & 25)

- Goal 5.6 The Comprehensive Plan adopts the following functional plans for public facilities and services:
- Policy 5.6.1 City of South Bend Water System Plan Update, December 2013
- Policy 5.6.2 City of South Bend Water System Comprehensive Plan Amendment, November 2006
- Policy 5.6.3 Regional General Sewer Plan/ Wastewater Facilities Plan, 2007
- Policy 5.6.4 Intergovernmental Contract for Wastewater Services, May 2008
- Policy 5.6.5 Comprehensive Park Plan, 2015-2021



What's new in the Utilities Element?

Planning & Locating Utilities (page 26)

- Policy 6.2.1 The planning and location of utilities shall be consistent with the Land Use Element.
- Policy 6.2.10 Encourage utility, digital, and telecommunication providers to increase the resiliency of their systems and networks to avoid service disruptions in the event of severe weather and other natural disasters.
- Policy 6.2.11 Support regional energy providers in establishing appropriate renewable energy resources.



New Transportation System Infrastructure (page 28)

- Policy 7.2.1 Use the Washington State Planning Priorities to guide transportation planning in South Bend by:
 - Promoting and developing transportation systems that stimulate, support, and enhance the movement of people and goods to ensure a prosperous economy;
 - Maintaining, preserving, and extending the life and utility of prior investments in transportation systems and services;
 - Providing for and improve the safety and security of transportation customers and the transportation system;



New Transportation System Infrastructure

- Improving the predictable movement of goods and people throughout Washington State, including congestion relief and improved freight mobility;
- Enhancing Washington's quality of life through transportation investments that promote energy conservation, enhance healthy communities, and protect the environment; and
- Continuously improving the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the transportation system.



New Transportation System Infrastructure (page 28 & 29)

- Policy 7.2.4 Consult with WSDOT on permits for new or expanded commercial and residential developments adjacent to US 101/Robert Bush Drive to ensure that driveways provide safe ingress and egress.
- Policy 7.2.5 Work with WSDOT to monitor increasing traffic volumes on US 101/Robert Bush Drive and develop coordinated actions that address its impacts to city residents and businesses.
- Policy 7.2.6 Continue to plan for and construct sidewalk projects that provide safe access to and from South Bend schools.
- Policy 7.2.10 Allow the location of electric vehicle charging stations in the Downtown and Commercial District.



Priority Street Improvement Plan (page 30)

Policy 7.4.1 Implement the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program

Coordination of Regional Transportation Actions (page 31)

- Goal 7.5 Support regional efforts that contribute to the transportation needs of the city, county, and region.
- Policy 7.5.1 Actively participate in the Pacific Council of Governments and the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Organization.
- Policy 7.5.2 Adopt by reference the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Organization's Regional Transportation Plan.



Coordination of Regional Transportation Actions

Policy 7.5.3 Support the efforts of Pacific Transit and other public providers to expand the number of routes and scheduled trips that reduce travel time within the county.



What's new in the Technical Background Material?

This information provides the basis for making decisions in each of the Comprehensive Plan Element. Updated info under following topics:

- ▶ Info on historic population trends (page 54)
- ▶ Info on future population projections (page 55)
- Community demographics (page 56)
- ► Economy, economic trends, & conditions (page 59)
- ► Housing profile (page 63)
- Existing land uses (page 66)



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- ► Land demand & supply for future growth (page 70)
- ► City facilities & services (page 75)
- ► Transportation system (page 79)